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October 8, 2007

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – The Illinois Wesleyan School of Music will feature pianist Solon Pierce in a guest recital on Sunday, Oct. 21, at 3 p.m. in the Westbrook Auditorium located in Presser Hall (1210 N. Park St., Bloomington).

This event is free and open to the public.

The program features pieces composed by Edward MacDowell, William Bolcom, George Gershwin, Bix Beiderbecke, Franz Liszt, and Gunnar Johansen. Pierce will also perform Robert Schumann's *"Carnaval"* and J.S. Bach's *"Ich ruf' zu dir, Herr"* arranged by Ferruccio Busoni.

Pierce has performed throughout the United States and Europe as well as at other college campuses including Columbia College in Columbia, S.C. and the University of Wisconsin. He has also played with the chamber music ensemble Trio Franz Berwald.

In 1999, Pierce received a grant to conduct research and record Gunnar Johansen's Sonata No. 23. He holds a bachelor of music degree from Oberlin College, a masters of music from the Juilliard School, and a doctorate from the University of Minnesota.

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